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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR	RICHARD JAEGER
CLERK	CAROL E. DECATO
TREASURER	HARRY A. EASTMAN

SELECTMEN

ERNEST TIBBALS '79	ARCHIE L. EASTMAN '80
JOEL DALTON '78	

COLLECTOR OF TAXES	ADA D. EASTMAN
DEEDING AGENT	ADA D. EASTMAN
ROAD AGENT	DALE T. EASTMAN
CEMETERY AGENT	LEWIS W. STURTEVANT
HEALTH OFFICER	OSWALD W. HAMEL
CONSTABLE	LEWIS W. STURTEVANT
OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE	BETTY EASTMAN
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	DOROTHY DEARBORN
REPRESENTATIVE TO MASCOMA VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT	ALBERT J. CIRONE, Jr.
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	JOANNE H. MOULTON

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

MARIE GREENWOOD, Chairman	JEAN OLLIS
DOROTHY HARPOOTLIAN	
FOREST FIRE WARDEN	OSWALD W. HAMEL
DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS	LEWIS W. STURTEVANT RONALD C. HAMMOND
AUDITORS	ROBERT A. PROULX BRENT STEVENS

BUDGET COMMITTEE

JAMES A. MARSHALL, Chairman '78	NATHAN H. HARPOOTLIAN '79
RONALD C. HAMMOND '80	

PLANNING BOARD (7 members)

RICHARD JAEGER, Chairman '81

JOEL DALTON, Selectman
(Appointed annually)

RONALD C. HAMMOND '83

ARCHIE EASTMEN, Sr. '82

NATHAN HARPOOTLIAN '80

SHIRLEY STRATTON, Secretary '78

ROBERT E. ELLS, '79

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (5 members)

OSCAR GREENWOOD, Chairman '79

ROY GOODEARL '78

SHARON PROULX '80

LEON VALIA '81

ERNEST TIBBALS, Selectman (appointed annually)

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF ORANGE, N.H. 03741**

**TOWN WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED to meet at the Town House in said Orange on Tuesday, the 14th day of March, 1978 at **FOUR O'CLOCK** in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects. The polls to remain open until nine p.m.

ARTICLE 1: to choose by ballot and plurality vote, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, one Selectman for Three years, a Tax Collector, a Road Agent, a Constable, a Trustee of Trust Funds for one year, one Cemetery Agent, one Overseer of Public Welfare, two Auditors, and all other officers that the Town may judge necessary. And then, beginning at **SEVEN O'CLOCK** in the evening to vote on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to pay necessary Town charges.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will reallocate the remaining Revenue Sharing funds to the newly established Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget submitted by the Budget Committee, and pass any vote in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to give a discount of three percent on taxes paid in full within thirty days from the date of the bill.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to authorize the tax collector to accept payments in prepayment of taxes in accordance with the provisions of N.H.R.S. 80:52-2.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Deeding Agent to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired through the Tax Collector's Deed in the Town.

ARTICLE 8: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and other officers heretofore and pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting not included in the warrant.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to establish an Historical Commission for the purposes of continuing to collect, display and preserve all items of historical significance to the Town of Orange. Said committee to be composed of three persons appointed by the Moderator; one member to serve for three years, one member to serve for two years, and one member to serve for one year.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the necessary funds to replace the wood-burning stove in the library with a gas heater in order to provide a safe source of heat so that the newly renovated library and museum can be used throughout the year. And further,

to authorize the Selectmen to sell the present wood-burning stove to the highest bidder through the customary procedure of publicly advertising for the submission of sealed bids. Proceeds of the sale to be used toward the purchase of the new gas heater.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Town Planning Board to approve or disapprove, in its discretion, subdivisions and plots thereof, showing streets or the widening thereof, or parks, according to regulations governing the subdivisions of land within its jurisdiction which the Planning Board shall adopt pursuant to RSA Chapter 36, Sections: 21, 21-a and 22 and to make it the duty of the Town Clerk to file with the Grafton County Registry of Deeds a Certificate or notice showing that the said Planning Board has been so authorized, giving the date of such authorization. If the article is adopted, it shall further be the duty of the Town Clerk to issue all certificates of failure when the Town Planning Board shall fail to take action, all pursuant to New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 36, Sections 19-29 inclusive and Section 34.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the town will authorize the use of the new Expanded Elderly Exemption in place of the current Standard Elderly Exemption.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will authorize the sale of the old library books presently stored in the Town House shed and recommended for discard by the New Hampshire State Library consultant. The book sale would be organized to insure that residents and taxpayers of Orange would be given first choice on purchases, and later the remaining books would be made available for sale to the general public. Proceeds of the book sale to be turned over to the librarian for the purchase of new books.

WARRANT 15: The polls shall not close earlier than nine o'clock in the evening.

Given under our hand and seal this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-eight.

ARCHIE L. EASTMAN
ERNEST R. TIBBALS
JOEL B. DALTON
Selectmen

ORANGE TOWN BUDGET

Section I — APPROPRIATIONS AND PURPOSES THEREOF:

	Appropriation 1977	Expenditures 1977	Appropriation 1978
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers' Salaries	1,800.00	1,500.00	1,800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	1,124.67	1,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	150.00	122.35	375.00
Contingency (Fire, Legal, Welfare)			1,500.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	950.00	676.03	980.00
Employees Retirement & Social Security	550.00	516.30	575.00
Miscellaneous	750.00	461.69	750.00
Reassessment			500.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY:			
Police Department	125.00	182.00	200.00
Fire Department	400.00	400.00	1,500.00
Dog Pound	50.00	11.40	50.00
Insurance	2,358.00	1909.15	2,000.00
Planning & Zoning			400.00
Damages & Legal Expense	200.00	200.00	300.00
F.A.S.T. Squad	500.00	500.00	500.00
HEALTH DEPT. (Incl. Hosp. & Amb.)			
Mascoma Health Council	318.00	318.00	321.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	2,800.00	2,732.13	2,800.00
HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:			
Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter	9,050.00	10,075.91	10,000.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	1,600.00	1,040.08	3,000.00
Town Road Aid	264.77	264.77	263.07
LIBRARIES:	50.00	50.00	50.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Town Poor	200.00	100.00	200.00
Old Age Assistance	50.00		50.00
Meals on Wheels	50.00	50.00	50.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES (Memorial Day, Etc.)	25.00	19.83	25.00
RECREATION (MARC):	100.00	100.00	100.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:			
Cemeteries	150.00	150.00	150.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	200.00	230.00	270.00
DEBT SERVICE:			
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds	3,000.00	1,000.00	1,863.55
Interest - Long Term Notes & Bonds	500.00	444.08	750.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	600.00	330.40	350.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

Police Radio	100.00	122.00	
File Cabinets	200.00	184.61	
Sander	1,800.00	1,341.00	
Typewriter			150.00

PAYMENT TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:

Fire Fund	200.00	200.00	
Reevaluation Fund	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Truck/Equipment			12,295.52

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$32,090.77	\$28,356.40	\$45,118.14
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	Estimated Revenue 1977	Actual Revenue 1977	Estimated Revenue 1978
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SECTION II — SOURCES OF REVENUE
FROM STATE:

Interest & Dividends Tax	800.00	942.84	900.00
Savings Bank Tax	100.00	151.28	150.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	1,000.00	1,065.56	1,000.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	3,149.92	3,149.92	3,133.83
Reim. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	750.00	825.36	800.00

FROM LOCAL SOURCES:

Dog Licenses	120.00	116.59	110.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	10.00	47.00	25.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,000.00	4,058.00	4,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	10.00	204.11	10.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds			2,277.21
Resident Taxes Retained	1,000.00	1,030.00	1,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	1,500.00	2,024.03	2,000.00

SURPLUS:

5,000.00	5,000.00	12,295.52
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FROM FEDERAL SOURCES:

Revenue Sharing	630.00	1,145.00	700.00
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**TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES
EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES**

17,069.92	19,759.69	28,401.56
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**AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY
PROPERTY TAXES**

15,020.85	8,596.71
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TOTAL REVENUES

\$32,090.77	\$28,356.40
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JAMES MARSHALL
NATHAN HARPOOTLIAN
RONALD C. HAMMOND
Budget Committee

FINANCIAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OF ORANGE
New Hampshire
Grafton County

for the

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,

1977

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

February 1, 1978

ARCHIE L. EASTMAN
ERNEST TIBBALS
JOEL DALTON
Selectmen of Orange

HARRY A. EASTMAN
Treasurer

ASSETS

CASH on hand 12/31/77		\$ 989.96
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:		
Fire Pump Fund	207.12	
Fire Fund	1864.55	
Legal Fund	212.66	
Welfare Fund	<u>200.00</u>	
TOTAL		2,484.33
UNREDEEMED TAXES:		
Levy of 1976	77.60	
Levy of 1975	<u>2,336.27</u>	
TOTAL		2,413.87
UNCOLLECTED TAXES:		
Levy of 1977, inc. Resident Taxes	26,415.24	
Levy of 1976	5,647.04	
Levy of 1975	<u>179.81</u>	
TOTAL		32,242.09
TOTAL ASSETS		\$38,130.25
CURRENT SURPLUS, December 31, 1976	1,931.19	
CURRENT SURPLUS, December 31, 1977	12,095.52	
CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION		\$10,164.33

LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS OWED BY THE TOWN:

School District(s) Taxes payable	\$12,836.40
County Taxes payable	<u>10,714.00</u>

Total Accounts Owed by Town	23,550.40
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CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS: (Offsets similar Asset account)	2,484.33
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CURRENT SURPLUS (Excess of assets over liabilities)	<u>12,095.52</u>
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GRAND TOTAL	\$38,130.25
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1977:

Town Hall, land and buildings	\$50,000.00
Furniture and equipment	2,000.00
Libraries, land and building	500.00
Police Department, equipment	1,000.00
Fire Department equipment	200.00
Highway Department, equipment - Grader	5,000.00
Truck and Sander	<u>6,000.00</u>

TOTAL	\$64,700.00
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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

12/31/77

LANDS (improved and unimproved)	\$2,468,809.00
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BUILDINGS	1,817,220.00
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PUBLIC UTILITIES (See below for details)	87,650.00
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MOBILE HOMES (13)	60,800.00
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Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	4,434,479.00
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Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed	4,391,629.00
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ELECTRIC & GAS UTILITY COMPANIES

Granite State Electric Company	\$13,350.00
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N. H. Electric Co-op, Inc.	67,400.00
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Public Service of N.H.	<u>6,900.00</u>
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TOTAL	\$87,650.00
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Number of inventories distributed 1977	153
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Date Mailed	March 10, 1977
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Number of inventories returned 1977	109
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RECEIPTS

FROM LOCAL TAXES:

Property Taxes - current year, 1977	\$25,844.58	
Resident Taxes - current year, 1977	1,140.00	
Yield Taxes - current year, 1977	2,024.03	
Total current year's taxes collected and remitted		\$29,008.61
Property taxes and Yield taxes, previous years		5,551.35
Resident Taxes, previous years		30.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes		243.07
Penalties: Resident Taxes		5.00

FROM STATE:

For Class V Highway maintenance	2,247.52
Highway Subsidy	3,149.92
Interest and dividends tax	942.84
Savings Bank Tax	151.28
Reimbursement a/c State & Fed. forest lands, 1976	1,973.13
Gas Tax Refund	81.71
Meals and Rooms Tax	1,065.56
Reimbursements a/c Business Profits Tax	825.36

FROM LOCAL SOURCES, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	116.59
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	47.00
Income from Highway Department	15.50
Motor Vehicle Permits	4,745.50

TOTAL CURRENT REVENUE RECEIPTS	\$50,199.94
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RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$30,000.00
Proceeds of Long Term Notes	9,716.66
Taxes bought by Town	2,413.87
Refunds	31.00
Abatements on Taxes	355.34
Discounts on Taxes	796.96
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	4,297.54
Revenue Sharing	652.35
Law Enforcement Assistance Act	1,335.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS other than Current Revenue	49,598.72
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TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES	99,798.66
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Cash on hand January 1, 1977 - (July 1, 1977)	11,389.11
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GRAND TOTAL	\$111,187.77
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PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,500.00
Town officers' expenses	1,124.67
Election & registration expenses	122.35
Miscellaneous expenses	461.69
Expenses town hall & other buildings	676.03
Reappraisal of Property & tax map	<u>6,949.84</u>

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT

\$10,834.58

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police department	182.00
Fire department	400.00
Dog Pound	11.40
Insurance	1,909.15
F.A.S.T. Squad	500.00
Police radio	<u>1,469.00</u>

TOTAL PROTECTION

4,471.55

HEALTH:

Mascoma Area Health Council	318.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	<u>2,732.13</u>

TOTAL HEALTH

3,050.13

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:

Class IV & V Highways	3,155.28
Town Road Aid	264.77
Town Maintenance	
Summer \$2,495.18	
Winter \$4,425.45	6,914.63
Class V Highways	2,216.90
Equipment Maintenance	<u>1,040.08</u>

TOTAL HIGHWAYS

13,591.66

LIBRARIES:

50.00

PUBLIC WELFARE:

Upper Valley Senior Citizens' Council	50.00
Town poor	<u>100.00</u>

TOTAL PUBLIC WELFARE

150.00

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Memorial Day, Veteran's Assn & Old Home Day	19.83
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RECREATION:

Mascoma Area Recreation Council	100.00
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PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

Cemeteries	150.00
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UNCLASSIFIED:

Advertising and regional associations	230.00
Taxes bought by town	2,413.87
Discounts, Abatements and refunds	1,152.30
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	<u>516.30</u>

TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED

4,312.47

TOTAL CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

36,730.22

DEBT SERVICE:

Interest on Debt:

Paid on tax anticipation notes	330.40
Paid on long term notes	<u>444.08</u>

TOTAL INTEREST PAYMENTS

774.48

Principal of Debt:

Payments on tax anticipation notes	30,000.00
Payments on long term notes	<u>1,000.00</u>

TOTAL PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS

31,000.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

Highways and Bridges-State Aid const.	9,716.66
New equipment:	
Highway - \$1,341.00	
Other - \$184.61	1,525.61
Payments to capital reserve funds	<u>600.00</u>

TOTAL OUTLAY PAYMENTS

11,842.27

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS:

Payment to State a/c bond & debt retire. taxes	345.27
Payments to School Districts	<u>29,505.57</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS to OTHER GOV. DIV.29,850.84**TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES**

110,197.81

Cash on hand December 31, 1977 - (June 30, 1978)

989.96

GRAND TOTAL\$111,187.77**SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

As of December 31, 1977, June 30, 1978

LONG TERM NOTES OUTSTANDING:

National Bank of Lebanon #62025 - Bridge	<u>\$15,114.37</u>
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TOTAL LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS\$15,114.37**RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS****OUTSTANDING LONG TERM DEBT**

\$8,267.05

December 31, 1976, June 30, 1977

NEW DEBT CREATED DURING FISCAL YEAR:

Long Term Notes Issued	15,114.37
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TOTAL NEW DEBTS15,114.37**TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT**

\$23,381.42

DEBT RETIREMENT DURING FISCAL YEAR:

Long Term Notes Paid	8,267.65
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TOTAL DEBT RETIREMENT8,267.65**OUTSTANDING LONG TERM DEBT**\$15,114.37

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1977

\$11,389.11

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR:

Property taxes	\$25,844.58
Resident taxes and penalties	1,142.00
Yield (timber taxes)	2,024.03
Abatements on property taxes	246.84
Abatement on resident tax	10.00
Abatements on veterans exemptions	98.50
Property taxes and interest 1976	1,220.35
Property tax sales and interest redeemed 1976	4,393.01
Property tax sales and interest redeemed 1975	181.06
Resident taxes and penalties 1976	33.00

RECEIVED FROM TOWN CLERK:

Auto permits	4,745.50
Dog licenses	116.59
Filing fees (March meeting)	12.00

RECEIVED FROM SELECTMEN:

Money hired	39,716.66
Revolver permits	10.00
Building permits	25.00
Tax map and revaluation	4,297.54
Robert L. Rickson (cold patch)	15.50
Reginald B. Barney, Ins. Agt. (refund on Ins.)	31.00

RECEIVED FROM STATE:

Interest and dividends tax	942.84
Savings bank tax	151.28
Meals and rooms tax	1,065.56
Business profits tax	825.36
Block grant aid	3,149.92
Maintenance Class V. highways	2,247.52
Taxes on state land 1976	1,973.13
Discount on gas (Town truck)	81.71
Police radio	1,335.00
U.S. Treasury Dept. (Federal revenue sharing)	652.35

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$107,976.94

Paid on orders of Selectmen

106,986.98

CASH ON HAND January 1, 1978

\$989.96

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY A. EASTMAN
Town Treasurer

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1977

	Appropriated	Receipts	Available	Expended	Under spent	Over spent
Town Officers' Salaries	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,500.00	300.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,124.67		124.67
Election & Registration Expenses	150.00		150.00	122.35	27.65	
Town Hall & Other Buildings	950.00		950.00	676.03	273.97	
Employees Retirement & Social Security	550.00		550.00	516.30	33.70	
Miscellaneous	750.00		750.00	461.69	288.31	
Police Department	125.00		125.00	182.00		57.00
Police Radio (L.E.A.A. Funded)		1,335.00	1,335.00	1,369.00		34.00
Dog Pound	50.00		50.00	11.45	38.55	
Fire Department	400.00		400.00	400.00		
Insurance	2,358.00		2,358.00	1,909.15	448.85	
Damages & Legal Expense	200.00		200.00		200.00	
F.A.S.T. Squad	500.00		500.00	500.00		
Rubbish Removal	2,800.00		2,800.00	2,732.13	67.87	
Mascoma Area Health Council	318.00		318.00	318.00		
Upper Valley Sr. Citizens Council	50.00		50.00	50.00		
Highway and Bridges						
Summer & Winter Road Maintenance	9,050.00		9,050.00	10,069.91		1,019.91
Road Equipment Maintenance	1,600.00		1,600.00	1,040.08	559.92	
Town Road Aid	264.77		264.77	264.77		
Class V Road Aid		2,247.52	2,247.52	2,216.90	30.62	
Libraries	50.00		50.00	50.00		
Patriotic Purposes	25.00		25.00	19.83	5.17	
Town Poor	200.00		200.00	100.00	100.00	
Old Age Assistance	50.00		50.00		50.00	
Mascoma Area Recreation Council	100.00		100.00	100.00		
Cemeteries	150.00		150.00	150.00		

See Welfare Fund below

Advertising & Regional Associations	200.00	200.00	230.00	30.00
Principal - Long Term Notes	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Interest - Long Term Notes	500.00	500.00	444.08	55.92
Interest - Short Term Notes	600.00	600.00	330.40	269.60
Police Radio	100.00	100.00	100.00	See Police Radio above
File Cabinets	200.00	200.00	184.61	15.39
Sander	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,341.00	459.00
Fire Fund	200.00	200.00	200.00	
Legal Fund			200.00	200.00
Welfare Fund			200.00	See Legal Expense above
Tax Map & Reevaluation Fund				See Town Poor above
	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	
	\$32,090.77	\$3,582.52	\$33,114.35	\$1,665.58
		\$35,673.29	\$5,224.52	

REVENUE SHARING FUND

Available sharing funds including interest to Dec. 31, 1977	12,776.42
Expenditures for the year	<u>652.35</u>
Total available funds for the year 1978	\$2,124.07

Harry A. Eastman
Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For fiscal year ending December 31, 1977

MONEY RECEIVED FOR LICENSE OF DOGS:

Female dogs 4 at \$5.00	\$20.00
Male dogs 26 at \$2.00	52.00
Spayed female dogs 23 at \$2.00	46.00
One half Kennel license of 5 dogs	12.00
Penalties 7 at \$1.00	<u>7.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIVED	\$137.00
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EXPENDITURES:

Dog tags and postage	9.81
Clerk's fee	<u>10.60</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>20.41</u>
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PAID TOWN TREASURER FOR DOGS	\$116.59
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AUTOMOBILE PERMITS:

Cash received for 219 permits	\$4,745.50
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PAID TO TOWN TREASURER	4,745.50
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FILING FEES FOR MARCH TOWN MEETING	12.00
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PAID TO TOWN TREASURER	12.00
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I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CAROL E. DECATO
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES Levy of 1977

—DR—

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$53,125.28	
Resident Taxes	1,120.00	
Total Warrants		\$54,245.28
Yield Taxes		2,270.87
Added Taxes:		
Resident Taxes		60.00
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>2.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		56,578.15

—CR—

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$25,844.58	
Resident Taxes	1,140.00	
Yield Taxes	2,024.03	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	2.00	
Total Remittances		29,010.61
Discounts Allowed		796.96
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	98.50	
Resident Taxes	10.00	
Yield Taxes	246.84	
Total Abatements		355.34
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1977:		
(As per collector's list)		
Property Taxes	26,385.24	
Resident Taxes	30.00	
Total Uncollected Taxes		<u>26,415.24</u>
TOTAL CREDITS		\$56,578.15

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES Levy of 1976

—DR—

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1977:		
Property Taxes	\$5,395.42	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Total Uncollected Taxes		\$5,415.42
Added Taxes:		
Resident Taxes		10.00
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		217.94
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>3.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		5,646.36

—CR—

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Ended December 31, 1977:	
Property Taxes	\$5,395.42
Resident Taxes	30.00
Interest Collected During Year	217.94
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>3.00</u>

TOTAL CREDITS	\$5,646.36
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SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
Levy of 1975

—DR—

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1977:	
Property Taxes	\$155.93
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	<u>25.13</u>

TOTAL DEBITS	\$181.06
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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Ended December 31, 1977:	
Property Taxes	\$155.93
Interest Collected During Year	25.13
Total Remittances	<u>\$181.06</u>

TOTAL CREDITS	\$181.06
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SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1977

—DR—

Tax sales on account of levies of	1976	1975
(b) Taxes Sold to town during current fiscal year	\$77.60	\$2,214.41
Interest collected after sale		82.46
Redemption costs		<u>39.40</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$77.60	\$2,336.27

—CR—

	1976	1975
Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1977	<u>\$77.60</u>	<u>\$2,336.27</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$77.60	\$2,336.27

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALE
DECEMBER 31, 1977

Levy of	1976
Boston & Maine Railroad	22.17
Boston & Maine Railroad	<u>55.43</u>
TOTAL	\$77.60
Levies of	1975
Boston & Maine Railroad	25.83
Boston & Maine Railroad	50.30
Edward W. Gude	1,106.59
Edward W. Gude	4.58
Edward W. Gude	435.54
Edward W. Gude	121.24
Edward W. Gude	148.05
Edward W. Gude	119.67
Edward W. Gude	237.91
Edward W. Gude	<u>86.56</u>
TOTAL	\$2,336.27

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1977 on account of tax levies of 1975 and 1976 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ADA D. EASTMAN
TAX COLLECTOR

**REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT
TOWN OF ORANGE, N.H.**

Fiscal year ending December 31, 1977

REVENUE SHARING FUND

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances, and Fund Balance

Available Funds - January 1, 1977	\$1,864.22
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Add Revenue:

Entitlement Payments	\$830.00	
Interest	<u>82.20</u>	
		<u>\$912.20</u>

TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$2,776.42
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Capital Expenditures:

Reassessment Fund	<u>652.35</u>
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Available Cash - December 31, 1977	\$2,124.07
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We have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Orange, N.H. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1977.

We strongly recommend that in the future the Revenue Sharing Funds be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund and administered by the Trustee of Trust Funds who will account for all expenditures, with a report to be published in the Annual Town Report.

Signed
Robert Proulx
Brent Stevens
Auditors, Town of Orange, N.H.

February 11, 1978

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES:

Joel B. Dalton, S. Selectman	\$400.00
Ernest Tibbals, Selectman	85.00
Archie L. Eastman, Selectman	350.00
Ada D. Eastman, Tax Collector	240.00
Harry A. Eastman, Treasurer	150.00
Carol Decato, Town Clerk	150.00
Robert A. Proulx, Auditor	25.00
Joyce E. LaMott, Auditor	25.00
James Marshall, Budget Committee	25.00
Charles C. Barnum, Budget Committee	25.00
Nathan Harpootlian, Budget Committee	25.00

\$1,500.00

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES:

Brown & Saltmarsh, stationery	137.82
Carol Decato, Town Clerk	353.22
Valley News Publishing Co., Ads	73.43
Country Print Shop, printing	58.73
National Bank of Lebanon, checks	15.90
Stamps, P.O. Box rent	19.00
Joel Dalton, Selectman	64.35
Treas. State of N.H., property appraisal school	75.00
Ernest Tibbals, Selectman	68.74
Ada D. Eastman, Tax Collector	215.10
Evans Printing Co., stationery	6.25
Brandam Publishing Co., stationery	11.65
Harry Eastman, Treasurer	25.48

1,124.67

ELECTION & REGISTRATION EXPENSES:

Archie Eastman, Selectman	10.00
Joel Dalton, Selectman	10.00
Ernest Tibbals, Selectman	10.00
Maie Martin, Ballot Clerk	10.00
Laura Sturtevant, Ballot Clerk	10.00
Richard Jaeger, Moderator	10.00
Carol Decato, Town Clerk	10.00
Dorothy Harpootlian, Supv. Check list	15.00
Marie Greenwood, Supv. Check list	15.00
Jean Ollis, Supv. Check list	15.00
Granite State Gazette, ads	7.35

122.35

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY

516.30

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:

Barbura Fortier, Land Transfer	.10
Lebanon Graphics, Town Report	394.50

Valley News, ads	10.00	
Country Printing Shop, Tax bills & Envs.	28.69	
Country Printing Shop, Bridge signs	24.00	
Canaan Hardward, hardware	<u>4.40</u>	
		461.69
TOWN HOUSE EXPENSES:		
Brad Dalton, shoveling walk	20.00	
N.H. Electric Coop, Inc., electricity	119.28	
Ralph Barker, repair lawn mower	7.95	
Lakeside Oil Co., gas	133.80	
John McBain, sanding floor	350.00	
Lewis Sturtevant, mowing lawn	<u>45.00</u>	
		676.03
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY:		
FIRE: Annual fee to Town of Canaan		400.00
POLICE:		
Dog Pound	11.40	
Lewis Sturtevant, Constable	<u>125.00</u>	
		136.40
INSURANCE:		
Town Grader	241.00	
Town Truck	414.50	
Town House	231.65	
Surety Bonds	76.00	
Workmans Compensation	<u>946.00</u>	
		1,909.15
HEALTH:		
Mascoma Area Health Council	318.00	
Moses Bill, Rubbish removal	2,021.55	
Lebanon Landfill	<u>710.58</u>	
		3,040.13
HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES:		
Town Maintenance:		
Summer, Salaries	2,019.01	
Winter, Salaries	4,419.45	
Town Road Aid	264.77	
Class V Roads, Duncan Fund	2,216.90	
Grader Operation & Maintenance	568.81	
Truck Operation & Maintenance	471.27	
Supplies and Materials	<u>677.37</u>	
		10,637.58
BLOCK GRANT:		3,155.28

LIBRARIES		50.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES: Flags		19.83
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:		
Lewis Sturtevant, Cemetery agent		150.00
UNCLASSIFIED:		
Upper Valley Senior Citizens Council	50.00	
Town Poor	<u>100.00</u>	
		150.00
N.H. Municipal Association	200.00	
Tax Collector Association	10.00	
Town Clerk Association	<u>20.00</u>	
		230.00
TAXES BOUGHT		2,413.87
DISCOUNT ON TAXES		796.96
ABATEMENT ON TAXES		355.34
DEBT SERVICE:		
INTEREST:		
Interest on Tax Anticipation Loans	330.40	
Interest on Grader	26.53	
Interest on Eastman Road Bridge	<u>417.55</u>	
		774.48
PRINCIPAL:		
Paid on Tax Anticipation Loans	30,000.00	
Paid on Long Term Note - Grader	1,000.00	
Paid on Eastman Road Bridge	<u>9,716.66</u>	
		40,716.66
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
Capital Reserve Fund	600.00	
Sander & Springs	1,341.00	
File Cabinet	<u>184.61</u>	
		2,125.61
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:		
Payment to State Bond Debt & Retirement	345.27	
To School District	<u>29,505.57</u>	
		29,850.84

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Jan. 1, 1977 to Dec. 31, 1977

Leonard A. Roberts
Dale T. Eastman

WINTER MAINTENANCE

Leonard A. Roberts	2,069.75
Dale T. Eastman	1,085.00
Ronald Goodearl	115.50
Leonard J. Roberts	15.00
Harry Powell	861.00
Archie W. Eastman	72.00
Tom Ireton - loader	54.00
Don Crate - bulldozer	80.00
Ernest Smith - sand	12.50
Blaktop, Inc. - cold patch	15.50
Henry Woodard - barrels	20.00
Canaan Hardware - salt	9.84
Webster Motors	9.36

TOTAL

\$4,419.45

SUMMER MAINTENANCE: WINTER MAINTENANCE:

Leonard A. Roberts	893.00
Harry Powell	273.63
Archie W. Eastman	20.00
Dale Eastman	832.38
Webster Motors	311.15
Tom Ireton - back hoe	18.00
Canaan Hardware - nails & paint	106.22
F.C. Hammond & Son - planks	40.80

TOTAL

2,495.18

GRAND TOTAL

6,914.63

TRUCK MAINTENANCE:

Dan Eastman - C.B.	114.00
Webster Motors - gas & repairs	197.91
Walt Edson - clutch repair	128.00
Sanel Auto Parts - parts	26.50
Archie W. Eastman - choke cable	4.86

TOTAL

\$471.27

GRADER MAINTENANCE:

K-Ross - steel	67.50
Ralph's Radiator Service - radiator	20.50
Walt Edson - labor	28.00
Kibby Equipment Co. - chains	87.60
Hathorns Inc. - clamps & hose	12.08
Clifford Dyer - welding	147.00
Chadwick-BaRoss, Inc. - belts	27.83
Murphy Equipment - wrist pin	12.58

Lakeside Oil - fuel	94.67
Leonard A. Roberts - labor	20.00
Archie W. Eastman - labor	9.00
Roy Goodearl - generator repair	25.00
Kelton Motors - bolts	2.10
Ernest Tibbals - antifreeze	14.95

TOTAL	568.81
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TRUCK & GRADER MAINTENANCE TOTAL	\$1,040.08
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BLOCK GRANT HIGHWAY SUBSIDY
(Gas Tax Aid for use on Maintenance
of Class IV and Class V Municipal Highways)

Received from State of New Hampshire for 1977	\$3,149.92
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Payments:

Dale Eastman	\$399.75
Harry Powell	78.50
Leonard A. Roberts	217.75
Ronald Goodearl	63.00
F.C. hammond & Son - planks	85.98
Lakeside Oil - fuel oil	91.70
Autoware, Inc. - towing	186.12
Webster Motors - equipment repairs	1,505.93
Blaktop, Inc. - cold patch & sealer	118.74
Sanel - paint & supplies	191.10
Tom Ireton - tractor mower	54.00
Canaan Lumber Co. - gravel	9.60
Don Crate - loader	8.00
Kibbee Equipment - canvas	19.86
Canaan Hardware - salt	71.00
Gilman's Garage - repair plow	39.25
Ernest Smith - sand	15.00

TOTAL	3,155.28
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CLASS V HIGHWAYS:

Donald C. Ford - equipment	\$898.80
Chet Hammond - gravel	472.80
Clifford Wheeler - gravel	342.60
Dale Eastman - labor	52.00
Andy Phelps - Foreman	241.50
Andy Phelps - chainsaw	18.00
Andy Whelps - hay	2.00
Archie L. Eastman - truck	20.80
George Dyke - dynamite	168.40

TOTAL CLASS V HIGHWAYS	\$2,216.90
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TOWN OF ORANGE

AS REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SUBSIDY REPORT #12 Allotment \$1,578.48
HIGHWAY SUBSIDY FUND - Jan. 1, 1977 to June 30, 1977

F.C. Hammond & Sons - planks	\$29.98
Lakeside Oil - fuel for grader	91.70
Autoware - grader repair	186.12
Webster Motors - truck & grader repair	647.93
Webster Motors - truck repair & fuel	353.35
Leonard A. Roberts - summer maintenance	217.75
Blaktop, Inc. - cold patch	46.50

TOTAL \$1,573.33

SUBSIDY REPORT #13 Allotment \$1,571.44
HIGHWAY SUBSIDY FUND - July 1, 1977 to Dec. 31, 1977

Sanel Auto Parts, Inc. - paint, oil, grease	\$191.10
Tom Ireton - use of tractor	54.00
Canaan Lumber Co. - gravel	9.60
F.C. Hammond & Sons - planks for bridge	56.00
Blaktop Inc. - cold patch	72.24
Don Crate - gravel	8.00
Kibbee Equipment - parts for sander	19.86
Dale Eastman - winter maintenance	399.75
Harry Powell - winter maintenance	78.50
Ronald Goodearl - winter maintenance	63.00
Ernest Smith - sand	15.00
Gilman's Garage - truck repair	39.25
Webster Motors - truck repair & fuel	504.65
Canaan Hardware - salt	71.00

TOTAL \$1,581.95

TOTAL FOR YEAR \$3,155.28

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Orange on December 31, 1978

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF FUND	PURPOSE	BALANCE BEGINNING	NEW FUNDS	LOSSES	BALANCE END OF YEAR	BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME	AMOUNT	EXPENDED	BALANCE END OF YEAR
8/23/15	Hannah M. French	Care of Cemetery	200.00	0	0	200.00	221.49	5.25%	22.05	86.00	157.54
5/ 2/17	Jennie M. French	Care of Cemetery	200.00	0	0	200.00	263.12	5.25%	24.42	50.00	237.54
3/28/33	Arthur A. Briggs	Care of Cemetery	100.00	0	0	100.00	81.54	5.25%	10.79	17.00	75.33
3/27/34	Clara A. Huse	Care of Cemetery	100.00	0	0	100.00	65.37	5.25%	9.82	17.00	58.19
8/ 9/34	Asa Hoyt	Care of Cemetery	100.00	0	0	100.00	65.97	5.25%	9.86	12.00	63.83
3/13/56	Mrs. & Mrs. Henry Eastman*	Cemetery	250.00	0	0	250.00	181.41	"	22.57	55.00	148.98
3/13/56	Abbie W. Fellows*	"	250.00	0	0	250.00	174.15	"	23.20	10.00	187.35
3/13/56	Mr. & Mrs. Adoniram Ford*	"	250.00	0	0	250.00	180.45	"	23.45	10.00	193.99
3/13/56	Mr. & Mrs. Chas. H. Ford*	"	250.00	0	0	250.00	191.85	"	24.15	10.00	206.00
* A. Paul Hopkins Hutchinson Bequest											
3/13/56	Lyman Batchelder	"	100.00	0	0	100.00	48.85	"	7.44	2.00	54.29
3/20/45	Fire Pump	Capital Reserve	177.68	0	0	177.68	272.12	"	22.45	0.00	294.57
3/13/56	Fire Fund	Capital Reserve	1347.49	527.77	0	1875.26	304.58	"	104.47	206.67	202.38
12/11/73	Legal Fees	Capital Reserve	300.37	200.00	0	500.37	52.59	"	27.35	367.65	(289.71)
4/27/76	Tax Map Fund	Capital Reserve	2500.00	0	0	2500.00	80.76	"	105.20	2685.96	(2500.00)
4/27/76	Re-evaluation Fund	Capital Reserve	1500.00	0	0	1500.00	48.45	"	63.13	1611.58	(1500.00)
4/ 5/77	Town Poor Fund	Capital Reserve		200.00	0	200.00	0.00	"	7.12	0.00	7.12

All deposits are in Amoskeag Savings Bank - Rate of Interest 5.25%.

I certify that this data is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

February 4, 1978

DOROTHY E. DEARBORN
Trustee of Town of Orange
Trust Funds

REPORT OF THE ORANGE BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Although the year 1976 was the real focal point of our nation's Bicentennial celebration, the Orange Bicentennial Committee has continued to work on several projects throughout this past year.

Improvements to both the library and historical museum have included the purchase of a typewriter for the librarian, the purchase of bookcases for the library, the reproduction, mounting and framing of many old photographs, and the acquisition of a great deal of local memorabilia.

This past summer, we were extremely fortunate to acquire a wooden pew, a very early brass chandelier, and a Sunday School bell, all from the old Orange Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gude presented the museum with a large and valuable collection of historical material from their Topsfield home. Our sincere appreciation is extended to the Gudes for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

A successful and enjoyable Open House was sponsored by the Bicentennial Committee on Town Meeting Day last March. Another Open House and reception in the library and museum is being planned again this year on Town Meeting Day.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Sharon Proulx, Chairperson
Orange Bicentennial Committee

ORANGE BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand 1-15-77	\$298.47
Checking Account Interest	<u>7.53</u>

TOTAL \$306.00

EXPENDITURES

Typewriter for library	73.50
Frames, materials for museum	30.25
Rug for hallway	4.32
Lumber for childrens' bookcase	17.50
Supplies for open house	8.90
Double metal bookcase	25.00
Church pew from old Orange Church	25.00
Church brass chandelier	<u>8.00</u>

TOTAL 192.47

BALANCE

Balance in checking account	\$110.17
Cash on hand	<u>3.36</u>

TOTAL \$113.53

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

We the undersigned auditors of the said Town of Orange have examined the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, and Trustee of Trust Funds and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for, for the year ending December 31, 1977.

We wish to commend the Selectmen for the institution of their new filing system for accounts and for the fine condition of their financial reports. As always, Ada Eastman, Carol DeCato, Dorothy Dearborn, and Harry Eastman presented their accounts and reports in excellent condition. The citizens of Orange are extremely fortunate to have the services of these elected officials who perform their duties in such an effective manner.

Our only recommendation is that written estimates for repairs to the town truck and the grader be requested before repair work is actually begun on either piece of equipment. And further, that these written estimates be kept on file by the Selectmen.

ROBERT PROULX
BRENT STEVENS
Auditors, Town of Orange

February 11, 1978

LIBRARY REPORT - 1977

Received from Selectmen - \$50.00	
Paid to Country Printing Shop - 1,000 book plates	\$25.00
New books purchased for 1977	
J - <i>Sleep Book</i> - Dr. Suess	\$1.95
J - <i>The Story of Babar</i> - Jean DeBrunhoff	1.50
J - <i>Mother Goose</i>	1.95
NF - <i>Our Daily Bread</i> - Stella Standard	2.98
(cookbook)	
NF - <i>Cookie and Cake Book</i> - Family Circle	3.98
NF - <i>Quilting for Your Home</i> - Eileen	
Gonin and Jill Newton	2.98
NF - <i>Airborne</i> - William F. Buckley, Jr.	5.95
(paperback)	
F - <i>Kingfishers Catch Fire</i> - Rumer Godden	1.50
(paperback)	
F - <i>Friday's Child</i> - Georgette Heyer	1.95
(paperback)	
TOTAL PURCHASED	49.74
\$50.00	
<u>49.74</u>	
\$.26	
used for paper book pockets	

JOANNE H. MOULTON
Librarian

TOWN OF ORANGE
1977 Payments from Fire Trust Fund for Fires in Orange

Tug Mountain Road	\$73.90
Joel Dalton	5.00
Cummings Place	<u>127.77</u>
TOTAL	\$206.67

CANAAN F.A.S.T. Inc.
1977

MONTH	NO. OF RUNS	MILES	AMB. HOURS	MAN HOURS
8/77	14 (1)	450.5 (37.5)	35 (2)	210 (4)
9/77	6 (1)	251.8 (63.5)	12.2 (3.1)	73.2 (21.7)
10/77	11	298.1	20.4	162.9
11/77	10	284.2	22.5	80.4
12/77	5	156	8.9	45.5
1/78	<u>14 (3)</u>	<u>454.7 (117.3)</u>	<u>30.16 (7.4)</u>	<u>160 (35)</u>
TOTAL	60 (5)	1995.3 (218.3)	129.16 (12.5)	732 (60.7)
% ORANGE	8.3%	10.9%	9.7%	8.3%

Average cost per run: \$24.40 () Denotes runs in town of Orange
Run cost to date: \$1,464.00

The above figures show only the runs made with the ambulance. It should be noted that a second vehicle has been purchased for \$1,000.00 and we are waiting for equipment that is on order to make the second ambulance operational. The new equipment amounts to another \$1000.00. Our next major expense will be for radio and communications equipment.
NOTE: Expenditures to date: \$6,642.29

1978 Expenditures:

Capital Improvements (Short and Long Term)	\$3,656.00
Ambulance Repair & Maintenance	1,040.00
Ambulance run cost	3,416.00
Squad Administration	543.00
Training & Education	250.00
Trust Fund	<u>1,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$9,905.00

The Canaan F.A.S.T. Inc. will continue to have fund raising projects throughout the year in which community support is of the essence.

Respectfully Submitted

DANIEL B. WARE, PRESIDENT
Canaan F.A.S.T. Inc.

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Forest fire control in New Hampshire is a joint state and town/city responsibility (RSA 224).

The Director, Division of Forests and Lands (State Forester) appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy forest fire wardens in each town/city upon the recommendation of local authorities.

The local forest fire warden is responsible for forest fire prevention and suppression activities in his town. He regulates the kindling of outside fires when the ground is not covered with snow by the issuance of written permits only when conditions are safe. He is responsible for suppression with the town/city and state sharing the cost. Suppression costs in excess of ¼ of 1% of the assessed valuation of the town are assumed by the state.

The state provides training for the local fire organization and helps coordinate activities between towns/cities. The state also supports local forces with backup personnel, equipment, and supplies for suppression and prevention.

This combination of state and local cooperation, started in 1893, works well, for New Hampshire has enjoyed one of the smallest acreage losses due to forest fires in the United States for the past 25 years.

1977 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres Burned
State	1,091	2,386
District	40	49.1
Town	1	¼
JOHN Q. RICARD		OSWALD HAMEL
District Fire Chief		Forest Fire Warden

MASCOMA AREA HEALTH COUNCIL - 1977

The Health Council is entering its ninth year of service to the towns in the Mascoma area. In 1977 the office was moved from the high school to Whitney Hall in Enfield. The telephone number remains the same: 632-7234.

The existence of the Mascoma Area Health Council continues to attract state funds for the free children's health and dental programs, as well as assistance with adult health screenings. Eighty(80) Mascoma children were given vision and hearing tests before entering the Canaan and Enfield elementary schools in the fall. Federal assistance is often available to Orange people for nursing, physical therapy, and home health aide services provided in the home. All programs are available to anyone in Orange regardless of their ability to pay.

During the year, the town of Orange received the following:

Skilled Nursing Care visits in the home	7
Preschool Dental Program - visits	6
Children in Well Child Clinic	4

Respectfully submitted,

CAROL STOMBERG
Chairman of the Board

VITAL STATISTICS

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1977

BIRTHS:

(Date, place, name of Child, Name of Parents)

March 23; Hanover, N.H.; Micah Kimo Johnson; David and Marilyn Johnson.

MARRIAGES:

(Date, Place, Name of Parties, By Whom Married)

July 11; Cornish, N.H.; Cary Scott Marshall and Rachel Louise Linden; J.P. Norman F. Patch.

DEATHS:

(Date, Name of Deceased, Age)

(Deleted from last year) - August 31, 1976; Harry B. Hazelton; 87.

